

Commissioner Chris Traylor

June 14, 2011

To: All LTC Providers

Subject: Information Letter No. 11-75

Follow-up Request for LTC Provider Billing to Maximize DADS Federal Match

Prior to 6/30/11 ARRA Expiration

This is to remind providers that they can help maximize the federal matching funds the State receives through June 30, 2011. This is the date the economic stimulus bill expires.

DADS Information Letter No. 11-49, released May 4, 2011, encouraged providers to **bill as often as necessary** to ensure that claims for any services provided but not yet billed are received as required in time for the State Comptroller to pay these claims by June 30, 2011. This will not affect provider payments, but is the final opportunity for the State to receive additional funding for supplements to social welfare programs as provided for by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

Claims processed through the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) should be submitted in time to be received at TMHP no later than **noon Monday**, **June 27**, **2011**.

Claims processed through the Client Assignment and Registration (CARE) system should be submitted no later than **noon Friday**, **June 24**, **2011**.

Note: Providers should submit any admissions, discharges, Minimum Data Set (MDS)
Assessments, Medical Necessity and Level of Care (MN/LOC) Assessments, etc. on a timely basis to ensure claims reflect actual information based on the data submitted.

For questions about this information letter:

- Nursing Facility, Hospice, ICF/MR, Home and Community-Based Service, and Texas Home
 Living Providers Contact the Provider Claims Services Help Desk at 512/438-2200, Option 1.
- Community Care Providers Contact your regional contract manager.

Sincerely,

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